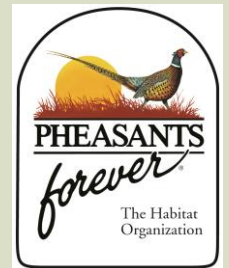


Pheasant Summit Review & Discussion



Greg Hoch, MN DNR
modified from
Mike Tenney, MN DNR
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Governor Mark Dayton



“For almost 60 years, I have enjoyed pheasant hunting in Minnesota,” said Governor Dayton. “But the decisions we make today will determine whether future generations of Minnesotans will have those same opportunities. I look forward to convening this Minnesota Pheasant Summit, and developing strategies to improve the pheasant population in our state.”

Survey Results

The DNR created an online survey before the Pheasant Summit

743 people filled out this survey

Developed 3 topic areas

12 questions >> 33 Priority Action Items

Public Lands

- How can we enhance existing habitat (2 priority actions)
- How can we create more spring and summer nesting habitat (3)
- How can we create more winter cover and food and increase winter survival (3)
- Other public land habitat ideas (2)

Survey Results

Private Lands

- How can we protect existing habitat? (3)
- How can we enhance existing habitat? (3)
- How can we create more spring and summer nesting and brood rearing habitat? (4)
- How can we create more wintering habitat? (4)
- Other private land habitat ideas? (2)



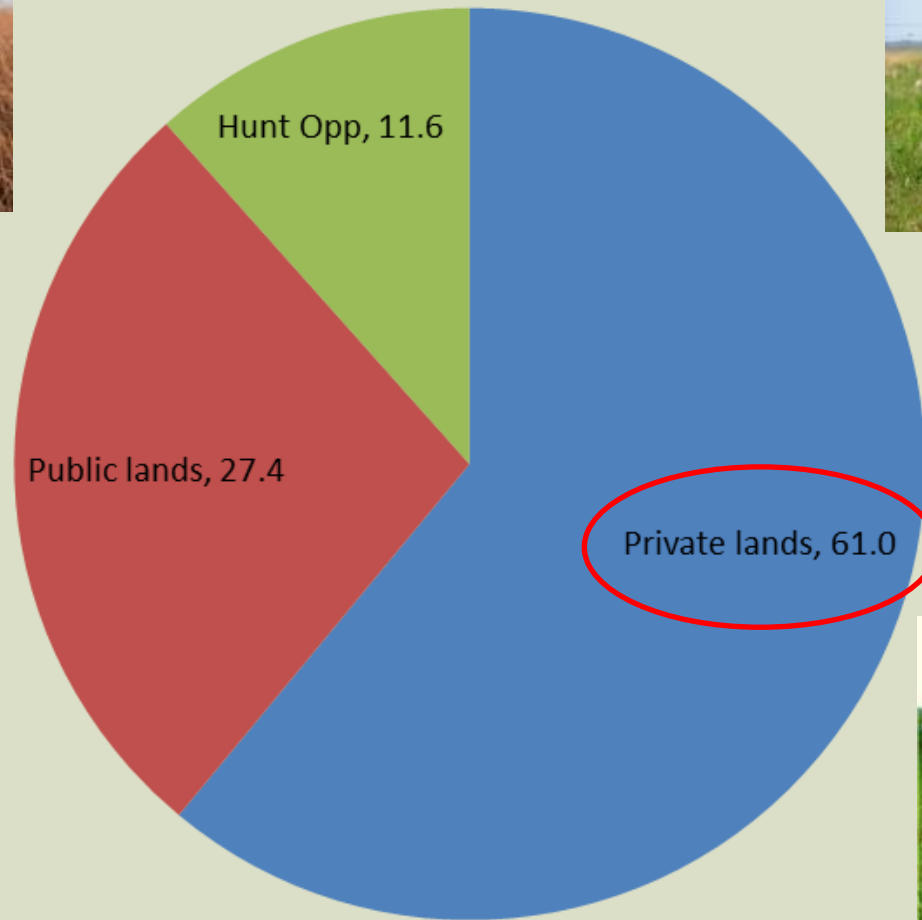
Survey Results

Hunting Opportunities

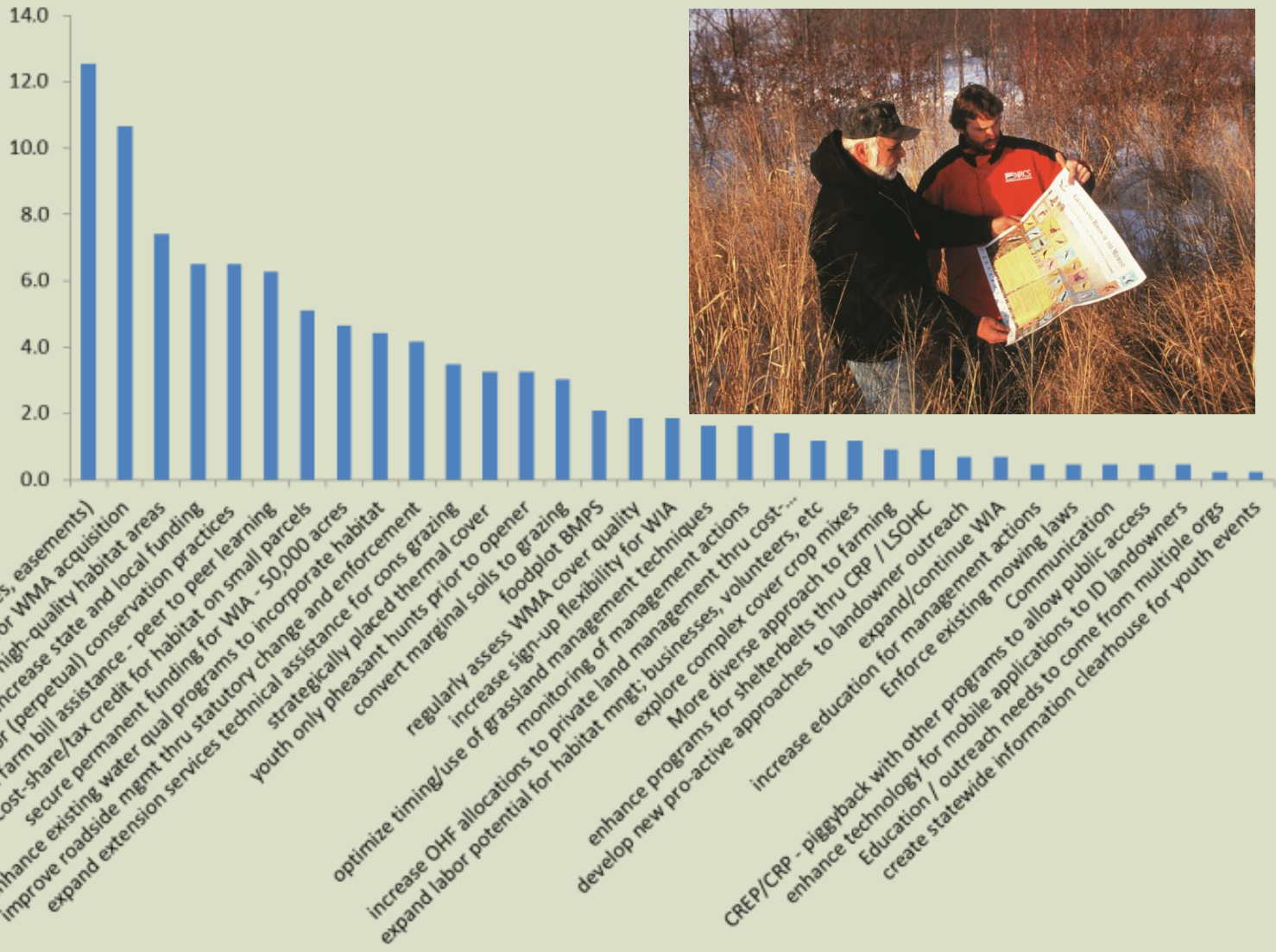
- How can we increase the amount of land with habitat that open to hunting? (3)
- How can we connect hunters with landowners? (2)
- How can we connect youth with pheasant hunting / recruit hunters? (2)



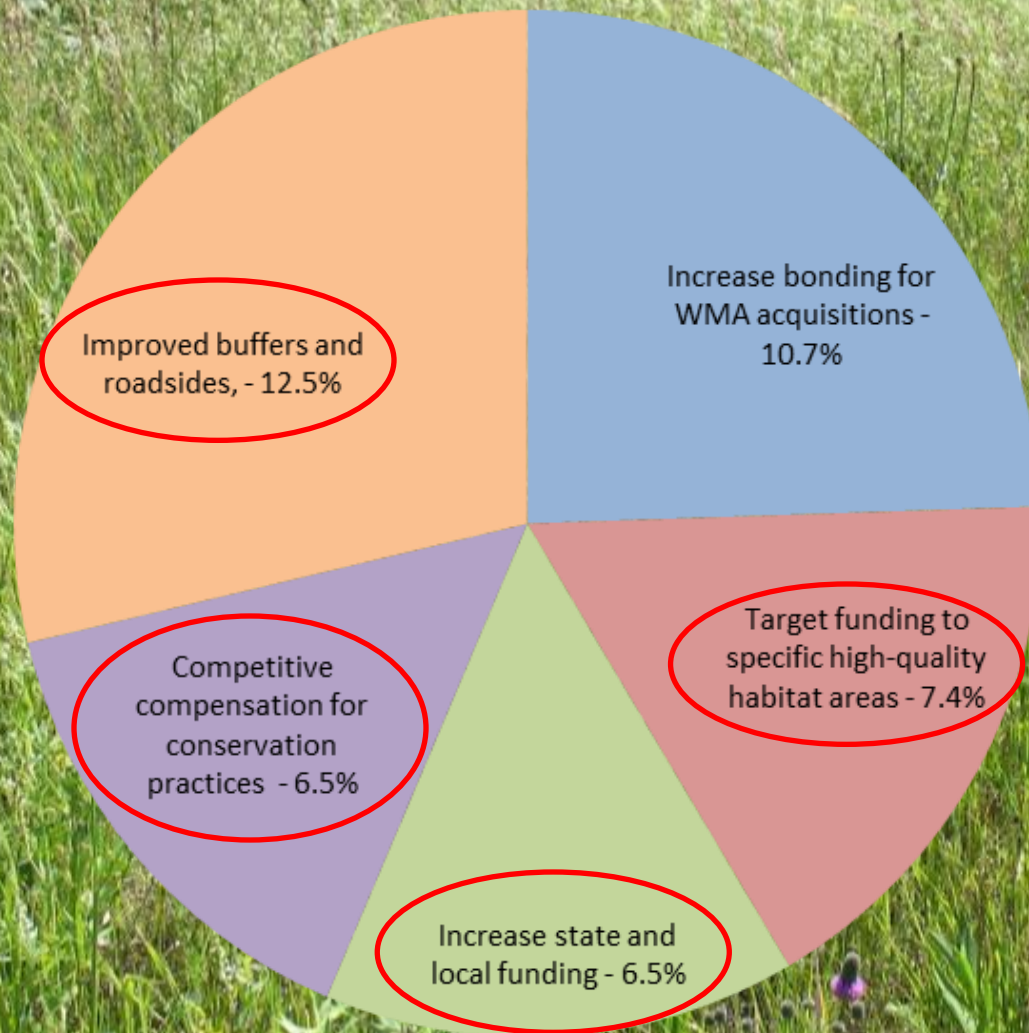
Overall voting from dot exercise



Breakdown of dot exercise voting

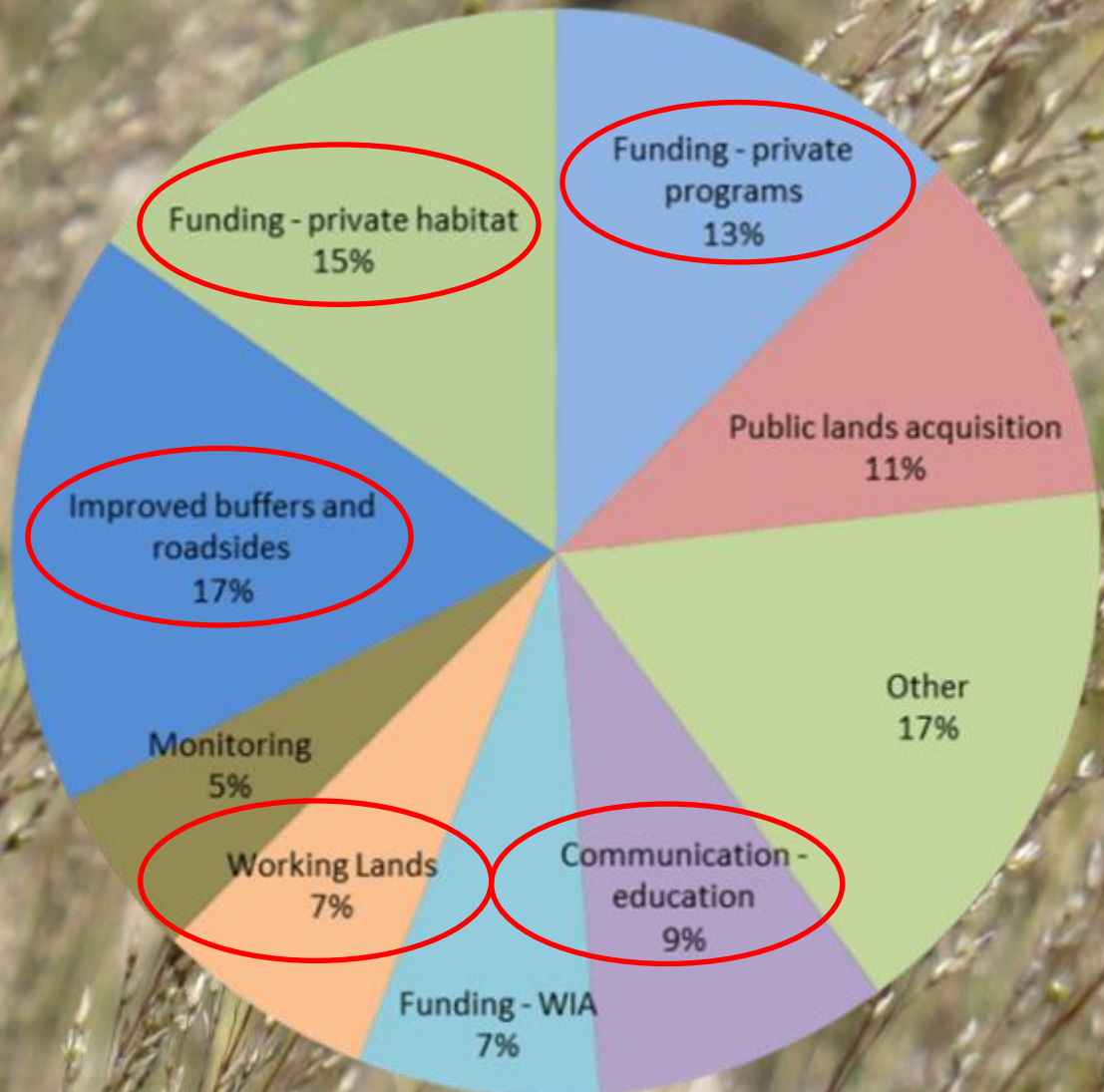


Top 5 (of 33) Action Items

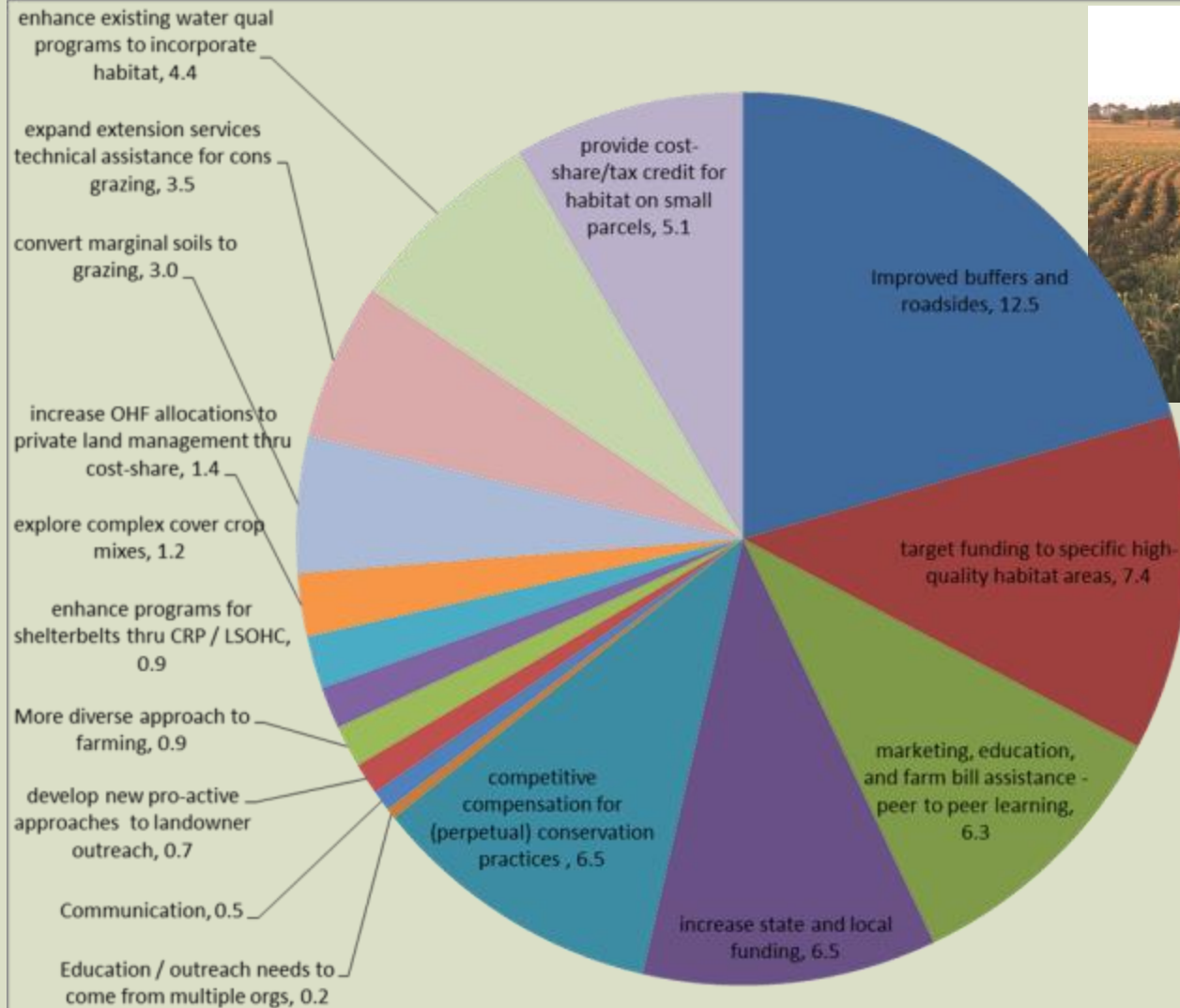


33 Action Items condensed to 9 Items

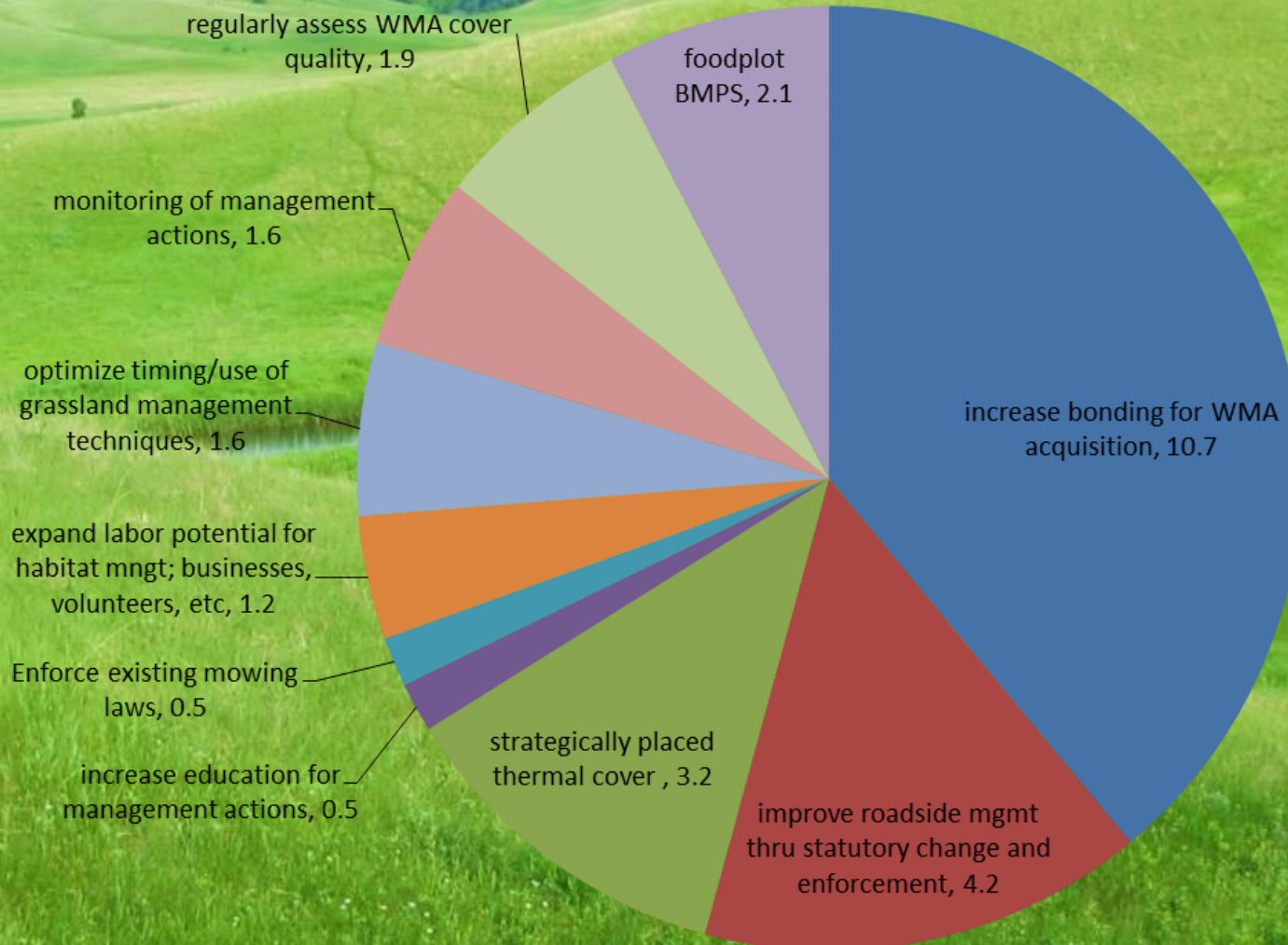
**Combined
similar Actions
for different
groups
Action Items
with fewer than
5% of the vote
were combined
into an 'other'
category for
ease of display**



Private Lands



Public Lands



2005 Pheasant Plan Target acreage

**750,000 pheasant harvest
adding 1.56M acres**



Buffers

Category	Length (m)	Length (miles)	acres
Ditch or canal	5,114,824	3,189	38,584
Stream	34,083,739	21,249	257,115
Stream (or river)	23,939,053	14,925	180,588
TOTAL		39,363	476,288
72% from Broken Streams			342,927



**BROKEN
STREAM BANKS:**
FAILURE TO MAINTAIN
"BUFFER" ZONES
WORSENS FARM
POLLUTION

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Roadsides



Roadsides represent about 1.5% of the landscape in the pheasant range



Next Steps - ENGAGE!

Steering Team



Technical Team



Work Groups



Working With Agriculture

- **Buffers**
- **Diversity**
- **Voluntary
incentive-based
habitat**



Find a Place for Habitat

Private land

**Review Buffer Policy,
Programs, Implementation
-Recommend and Fund!**



**Support diversified AG
-Ranching = Pasture = Habitat
-Small Grains = nesting cover**

Finding a Place for Habitat

Private land

BUILD A HABITAT MOSAIC

- **CRP, CREP, WIA**
- **Re-Invest in Minnesota**
- **NPB, FWS easements**



Building Better Public Habitat

Public Land

**Bond for strategic Wildlife
Management Area Acquisition**

Work with MN Congressional
Delegation to **bring Duck Stamp
Increase dollars to Minnesota**



Habitat is a Solution!

Improve and Fund conservation delivery

Pollinator-friendly Landscape

Keep water supplies healthy

Innovate

Pollinator Habitat = Pheasant Habitat



Questions

